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Police Involved Shooting

*****UPDATE*****

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The investigation into the police involved shooting that occurred on April 1, 2015, has been completed by the Firearms/Police-Involved Death Review Board. The actions of Officer Brian Newsome #1704, Officer Samuel Peck #1706, and Sergeant Trent Taylor #5270, are found to be within the Columbus Division of Police Use of Firearms Policy.

Suspect Shot After Committing Double Murder

Columbus Police are investigating a police involved shooting on the city's south side.

On April 1, 2015, two Columbus Police sergeants were driving in the area of Parsons Avenue and E. Kossuth Street when they heard gunshots and observed what they thought was a man shooting another man in a nearby parking lot. Both sergeants exited their vehicle and confronted the armed man. Back-up officers arrived momentarily and also confronted the man at which point both officers and one sergeant fired at the suspect, striking him and ending the confrontation.

Additional officers arrived and attempted to assist the original victims. Both victims, identified as Jenea Harvison and Donell McDonald, were pronounced dead at the scene by Columbus Fire medics. The suspect was transported to Grant Medical Center in stable condition with a gunshot wound. A firearm was recovered at the scene.

The suspect has been identified as the estranged husband of Ms. Harvison. His identity is being withheld at this time pending criminal charges.

As in all police involved shootings, the involved officer(s) will receive mandated psychological support counseling. Officers are also afforded an opportunity to take leave time to assist in recovery from a traumatic experience. This incident will be investigated by



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the Critical Incident Response Team (made up of specially trained investigators from the Homicide Units). The final investigative package will be forwarded to the Columbus Division of Police Firearms/Police-Involved Death Review Board and the Chain-Of-Command for review.

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